to by the Examiner, each of independent claims 1, 2, 4 and 6 and the dependent claims thereof recite features not disclosed or taught by the claimed subject matter of the patent so as to render the claims of this application obvious in the sense of 35 USC 103, based upon the claimed subject matter of the patent.

More particularly, each of independent claims 1, 2 and 4 recite the following features:

> the display device further includes a means which sets a ratio of display in the second step per one frame period, and a means which measures the number of pulses of a horizontal synchronizing signal in one frame period contained in the video data, and determines a point of time for starting display in the second step in response to pulses of the horizontal synchronizing signal corresponding to the ratio based on a measured value of the number of pulses.

Further, independent claim 6 recites the following features:

> the display device further includes a means which measures the number of pulses of a horizontal synchronizing signal in one frame period contained in the video data inputted to the display control circuit, and determines a point of time for starting display in the second step based on a measured value of the number of pulses.

Irrespective of the position by the Examiner, applicants submit that, looking to the claimed subject matter of independent claims 1, 4, 5, 10, 12 and 14 of US Patent No. 7,006,069 and the claimed subject matter of the dependent claims thereof, there is no disclosure or teaching of the aforementioned features of independent claims 1, 2, 4 and 6 of this application which would render the claimed subject matter of independent claims 1, 2, 4 and 6 of this application, and therewith the dependent claims, obvious in the sense of 35 USC 103. Accordingly, applicants submit that the independent and dependent claims of this application, patentably distinguish over the claimed subject matter of US Patent No. 7,006,069, the obviousness-type double patenting rejection based on US Patent No. 7,006,069 should be overcome, and all claims of this application should be considered patentable with respect thereto.

As to the provisional rejection of claims 1 - 8 on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1 - 7 of copending application No. 10/760,362 and claims 1 - 11 of copending application No. 10/787,771, the Examiner recognizes that the rejection is a provisional rejection because the alleged conflicting claims, which are not identical, but which the Examiner contends are not patentably distinct from each other, have in fact not been patented. The Examiner also recognizes that the provisional rejection can be overcome by the submission of a Terminal Disclaimer.

Without acquiescing in the propriety of the provisional rejection on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting with respect to claims 1 - 7 of copending application No. 10/760,362 and claims 1 - 11 of copending application No. 10/787,771, in order to expedite issuance of this application, submitted herewith a Terminal Disclaimer and the appropriate fee, which is considered to overcome the provisional rejection, as set forth. Thus, applicants submit that the provisional rejection should now be overcome.

In view of the above remarks, and the submission of the Terminal Disclaimer, applicants submit that all claims present in this application should now be in condition for allowance, and issuance of an action of favorable nature is courteously solicited.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli,

Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 501.43488X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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